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ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS

OF THE

STATE OF TENNESSEE,

PASSED AT

THE EXTRA SESSION

THE THIRTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONVENED AT NASHVILLE,

JULY 27TH, 1868.

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.

NASHVILLE:

1868.

GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION.

STATE OF TENNESSEE, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, Nashville, Tenn., July 6, 1868.

WHEREAS, On page 108 of the Code of Tennessee, the following constitutional provision is found:

"The Governor may, on extraordinary occasions, convene the General Assembly by proclamation, and shall state to them, when assembled, the purposes for which they shall have been convened; but they shall enter on no legislative business, except that for which they were specially called together."

Now, Therefore, I, William G. Brownlow, Governor of Tennessee, issue this, my call for an Extraordinary Session of the General Assembly of Tennessee, to take place on Monday, 27th of July, 1868, at the Capitol, in Nashville. Senators and Representatives are required to be there at 12 o'clock, the day and date above named, when I will make known to them the purposes for which they have been called together.

The papers selected to do the legal advertising of the State, are directed to insert this Proclamation, each,

three times.

In testimony whereof, etc., etc., I sign and publish the same, this 6th of July, 1868.

WILLIAM G. BROWNLOW.

By the Governor:

A. J. FLETCHER, Secretary of State.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE,

To the Extra Session of the Thirty-Fifth General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, Convened at Nashville on Monday, the 27th day of July, 1868.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

The Constitutional provision, authorizing me to convene you in Extraordinary Session, makes it my duty to state to you the purposes for which you have been convened, and at the same time limits you in your acts of legislation to the business for which you have been

called together.

At your session of last Winter, by large majorities in both Houses, you repealed what was known as the Militia Law. I accordingly paid off the Militia and disbanded them, so that, for the last ten months, there have been no State troops at my disposal. As members of the Legislature, you were assured by leading conservatives in their respective counties, and doubly assured by the leading rebel journals of the State, there would be no necessity for any troops whatever, and that law and order would be strictly observed. It turns out that the rebellious elements of the State were at that time secretly arming themselves and perfecting a military organization known as the Ku Klux Klan, composed of ex-rebel soldiers and those who were in sympathy with them; thus violating their paroles at the time of their surrender, and violating the laws of the State, and plotting and planning mischief in every respect. These men have been arming and organizing for a year past, with an eye to the overthrow of the State Government; and, ultimately, to carrying the State in the Presidential election. They have known, as well as the political leaders and bad men who have prompted their action, that the President of the United States was bitterly hostile to the men and measures of the present State

Government, and would readily favor a movement that would overthrow both. They have been confident, and have so expressed themselves, that the President would give them, as revolutionists, such aid by the disposition of troops, and changes in this military department, as would insure them an easy victory; and some of them have been so indiscreet as openly to boast of this. Their schemes have involved the overthrow of the existing State Government; the abolition of colored suffrage; the immediate enfranchisement, under the revolutionary constitution, of every rebel who fought to destroy the Government, and a wiping from the statute books of all the wholesome and patriotic laws enacted since April, 1865.

So violent and murderous has been the conduct of these armed outlaws in different counties of Middle and West Tennessee, that, acting under the authority of a resolution you adopted last Spring, I have called upon the brave and patriotic commander of this department at Louisville, to furnish me regular troops for these counties. The following correspondence will show

you with what result:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, Knoxville, Tenn., June 15th, 1868.

Major-General George H. Thomas, Commanding, &c.:

The following is a copy of a dispatch from the
Hon. Mr. Arnell:

COLUMBIA, TENN., June 14, 1868.

To Gov. W. G. Brownlow:

The Ku Klux searched the train for me last night, pistols and rope in hand. Empower me to call upon the military here, if necessary, in your name, to suppress all armed and masked parties in this vicinity. I propose to fight it out.

S. M. Arnell.

This is but in keeping with what is going on in other counties of Middle and West Tennessee, as I am ad-

vised by reliable men.

I therefore call upon you to furnish a company of troops for the counties of Lincoln and Marshall, jointly. One for the county of Obion, one for the county of Dyer, and one for the county of Gibson. Without troops in these counties, the civil laws cannot be enforced, or loyal men allowed to exercise their rights and liberties. If you have the troops, I also desire that a company be sent to Fayette county.

I have the honor to be, etc.,

W. G. Brownlow, Governor of Tennessee. H'DQ'RS DEP'T OF THE CUMBERLAND, Louisville, Ky., June 18, 1868.

His Excellency, W. G. Brownlow,

Governor of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.: Sir:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th inst., containing a copy of a dispatch from the Hon. S. M. Arnell, to you, and your request for troops to be sent to certain counties in Tennessee. You say that, without troops in these counties the civil laws cannot be enforced, or loyal men allowed to exercise their rights and liberties. I have the honor to say in reply, that the military can only be used to aid and sustain the civil authorities in the discharge of their duties. The State of Tennessee, being in the full exercise of all the civil functions of a State, the military authority of the United States cannot legally interfere except in aid and support of the civil authority. For these purposes, troops have been sent to various localities at your request. These details, together with the present demand for troops to assist the U.S. officers in collecting the revenue, has so exhausted the force at my command as to prevent the complying with your request to send companies to the counties named.

Very respectfully, your ob't serv't, GEO. H. THOMAS, Maj.-Gen. U. S. A., Commanding.

H'do'rs Dep't of the Cumberland, Louisville, Ky., June 24, 1868.

To His Excellency, W. G. Brownlow,

Governor of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.:

SIR:—Referring to my letter of the 18th inst., to you, I have the honor to inform you, that since writing, I have procured a copy of the Acts of the Thirty-Fifth General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, for the years 1867-8.

I have carefully examined the Acts providing for the protection of Sheriffs, etc., and relating to the State Guard, and respectfully submit to you, as my opinion, that under these laws, if vigorously enforced, the diffi-

culties in Tennessee, could be suppressed.

The 7th, and subsequent sections of the "Act for the protection of Sheriffs," etc., passed February 1st, 1868, appears to be especially available and practicable for good effect, and could be more readily and quickly enforced than the "Act to organize and equip a State Guard," etc., passed March 13, 1868; though, if found necessary, this would be the more powerful organization, notwithstanding its deficiencies as to a staff corps for its administration.

I take the liberty of giving an opinion on this subject, because of the probability of the necessity, in the end, for your calling on the United States for aid under the provisions of the Constitution; and as you have been informed, the force at my command is so exhauseted by calls for other duties, that it is not likely that sufficient troops for the purpose, could be furnished.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant, GEO. H. THOMAS,

Major-General, U. S. A.

STATE OF TENNESSEE,

Executive Department,
Knoxville, June 29, 1868.

Major-General Geo. H. Thomas:

Your favor of the 24th inst., is now before me, and your suggestions have been duly considered. I thank you for the same, and fully appreciate your motives. The principal difficulty we have to encounter, has, perhaps, not occurred to your mind. The Sheriffs in the rebellious counties, for the most part, are strangely silent, and as strangely reluctant to comply with the provisions of the law. This reluctance arises from one of two considerations: either the fear of violence in attempting to organize a police force, or after said force shall have been disbanded. In some instances, the Sheriffs are in sympathy with the rebellious element of their respective counties.

Upon the whole, I think it likely I shall have to con-

vene the Legislature in Extraordinary Session.

I have the honor to be, &c.,

W. G. Brownlow, Governor of Tennessee.

This dangerous organization of ex-rebels, now ramifies almost every part of the eleven States that once constituted the Southern Confederacy, and has already grown into a political engine of oppression so powerful and aggressive as to call forth in opposition, several notable military orders. Organized upon the same basis, and having the same dark designs in view, that found a fit culmination in Booth's assassination of Abraham Lincoln, it works in secret, mid signs, symbols and pass-words, hatching plots to scatter anarchy and permanent disorder wherever it may have an existence. The influential portion of the rebel press in the South, hail its advent as a propitious circumstance. Of its purposes I need only extract from the constitution of one of the clubs of its order, captured by the police at Memphis, the following declaration:

"The object of this organization is for the purpose of protecting the people of the South from the band of murderers and robbers now preying upon them, even to the last resort—assassination—and we pledge ourselves one to the other, that nothing shall be allowed to deviate us from this noble object."

Here we have assassination declared as a legitimate object of this lawless clan. That it is equal to its purposes is exemplified in the assassinations already committed in our own State, and other Southern States. I recommend, most emphatically, that these organized bands of assassins and robbers be declared outlaws by special legislation, and punished with death wherever found.

I call upon members to speak and vote in the halls of legislation as they themselves and their constituents have spoken to me in private letters and petitions, calling for the militia to protect them in their persons and property. True, it will take money to furnish a military force, but loyal men residing in rebellious counties, are entitled to protection, without any regard to what it may cost in dollars and cents. If I am expected to protect them, I must be allowed a sufficient clerical force to execute my orders promptly, and funds to meet the necessary demands in carrying out these orders. tlemen are here from the counties partially in rebellion, and it is for them to say whether the military force is necessary to afford protection and quiet among their constituents. You will also pardon me for my plainness of speech, as I have been complained of as rather tardy in my movements to protect loyal men. Therefore, it is that if our people are butchered in cold blood, and the colored population are intimidated and driven • from their homes and the ballot-box, I intend the responsibility shall rest with the Legislative, and not the Executive Department of the State Government. am regarded as extravagant and violent, I shall be gratified to have the Legislature designate some other person to take the entire control of this branch of the public service.

I again repeat, gentlemen, that you are fresh from the people, familiar with all the recent outrages complained of, and it is for you to apply the remedy for the existing evils. Should you conclude to order out the militia, or a portion of them, it will be your duty to protect them by law for all proper acts done under orders, or in the line of duty. Otherwise, they will be annoyed by malicious prosecutions after they are mustered out of service.

STATE FINANCES.

I propose next, to call your attention to the subject of our State Finances. Near the close of the late session, you created a Financial Board, consisting of five members, viz: The Governor, Secretary of State, Comptroller, Treasurer, and the President of the Bank of Tennessee. I regret to say, that, from the time of the organization of the Board until the present, there has been great want of harmony in its councils and action. Very soon after the Board organized, the Secretary of State and the Comptroller sent in their resignations as members of the Board, as did also the Secretary of the Board. The remaining three members immediately convened at Knoxville and re-organized, electing S. Watson Chairman of the Board, and Hon. W. Bosson, permanent Secretary. I offered a resolution, which was adopted, to the effect that we had no authority to accept the resignations of the persons before named, and alleging that their resignations should be tendered to the Legislature, the power by which they were constituted members of the Board, as the only body competent to receive their resignations. At the same meeting, we effected all the preliminary arrangements deemed necessary to provide for meeting the July interest, and the Chairman of the Board was constituted an agent to go to New York and carry out our plans. What these plans were, the report of the Board will show. Closely following the action recited, some members of the Board who had tendered their resignations, opened a most unprovoked and needless newspaper war upon the newly elected Chairman; and the policy we had adopted. The effect of this controversy was to distract our councils at home and injure our credit abroad. One member of the Board went so far as to say to another member, that he. was in favor of making a publication, setting forth that the State was unable to meet the interest upon her bonds.

For the honor and credit of the State, I trust no member of either House of the Legislature will give countenance to such an idea. Pride of character, the dictates of patriotism, and a decent regard for the opinions of mankind, should lead us to frown indignantly upon anything looking toward the repudiation of our honestly contracted obligations. Of the thirty-two million dollars constituting our State debt, fully three-fourths were incurred by the State loaning her credit and issuing her bonds to the different railroad companies of the State. To secure the payment of these bonds, the State has a first mortgage upon all railroads so aided, making

her security fully adequate. Capitalists and dealers in stocks, well understanding these facts, have no lack of confidence in the ultimate redemption of Tennessee bonds: indeed, our bonds had gone up to seventy-eight cents on the dollar, at the time of the recent difficulty in New York. Here I will take occasion to say, that after arrangements were completed to meet the July interest, and everything was deemed secure, a most foul conspiracy was entered into somewhere, culminating at New York, evidently designed to injure the credit of our State and depreciate the price of her bonds, for the purposes of speculation. The result of which has been, to delay the payment of the July interest, and also to greatly depreciate the value of the State bonds. To meet this extraordinary emergency, is, in part, the design of convening the General Assembly at this time, I am unable to indicate the guilty parties in these nefarious transactions. The New York press, as well as sundry letter writers, implicate Tennessee railroad men and members of the Financial Board. Others charge it upon New York parties, bond-holders and stock spec-What I propose, is this: That you appoint a Joint Select Committee of your best and ablest men, with full powers to send for persons and papers, so as to sift this matter to the bottom, and ferret out the guilty parties, whoever they may be; and, if found guilty, you should proceed to sue them for damages, in the name of the State. Such summary and exemplary treatment of so flagrant offenders may serve to protect the State from like disaster in the future, and to maintain the standard value of her bonds.

Some of the railroad companies committed the great error of not making their payments in advance of the first of July. The Comptroller will inform you who they are. In the discharge of my duty, I served the following notice upon them all:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, Nashville, Tenn., May 24, 1868.

To the Railroads of the State of Tennessee:

It is made your duty by the law of 1852, and also by the Act entitled, "An Act to liquidate the debt of the State, falling due in 1868 and 1869," passed March 13, 1868, to pay the interest on the bonds loaned you, at least fifteen days before said bonds become due. The penalty for the violation of this duty, is, that I am to appoint a suitable person, at your expense, to take charge of your road.

I therefore warn you, that the interest due from you on the first of July next, must be paid to the Comptroller of the State at least fifteen days before that date.

W. G. Brownlow, Governor of Tennessee.

PENITENTIARY.

Your attention is also called to the still partial confusion, indebtedness, and crowded condition of the Penitentiary. A full settlement with the lessees is desirable, if, indeed, it is not absolutely necessary. I do not advise the erection of additional buildings at this time, at Nashville; but I suggest, as I have done on former occasions, the commencement of a Branch Penitentiary in the Eastern Division of the State. The Penitentiary at Nashville ought to be self-sustaining; but, instead of this, large appropriations of money are annually required. The whole matter is with you, and to you I submit it, without entering into detail.

COLONEL A, E. BOONE,

Whom you designated by special enactment to settle with, provide for, and pay off the officers and sodiers of the late State Militia, has performed the work assigned him, and is ready for a settlement with such committee as you may designate.

POLITICAL DISABILITIES.

I have been appealed to by prominent men of both political parties, to urge upon you the propriety of removing political disabilities formerly imposed upon a large class of rebels. The conduct of that class of people has been, and it still is, such, that I do not feel justified in making this recommendation. They have a military organization in this State, whose avowed object is to trample the laws under foot and force the party in power to enfranchise themselves and their sympathizers. I cannot stultify myself by yielding to this request, accompanied with threats of violence. If members of the General Assembly are alarmed for their personal safety, and feel disposed to sue for peace upon the terms proposed by an armed mob, they will, of course, take a different view of the subject. Any recommendation of this kind, if made at all, should be at a regular and not at a called session of your body. And whether such recommendation, and corresponding action thereupon, shall be deemed wise at your adjourned meeting in November next, can be then more safely determined, by

strictly observing the conduct of these unreconstructed Ku Klux rebels and their sympathizing supporters, between this time and that.

Trusting that your session may be brief and useful, may the hand of a kind Providence guard your families in your absence.

W. G. BROWNLOW.

July 27th, 1868.

PUBLIC ACTS.

CHAPTER I.

AN ACT to Regulate the State Finances.

WHEREAS, The State of Tennessee was, during the greater part of the recent civil strife, a theatre of destructive war, over which vast armies marched and Railroads. counter-marched in fierce contention, laying waste her fields and forests, impoverishing her citizens, and depriving her of her railroads, or reducing them to wreck, which had previously paid four-fifths of the interest upon here State debt and sinking fund upon the principal; and,

WHEREAS, The said war resulted in the emancipation Emancipaof her slaves, thereby destroying the source of a large portion of her direct revenue, leaving five millions of unpaid interest to be added to the State debt; and,

School Fund.

WHEREAS, The entire School Fund, with other valuable assets of the State, were seized and carried away,

and became lost to the State; and,

WHEREAS, The new State Government, despising repudiation in all its forms, and resolving to maintain the credit of the State, which is the pride of every true Tennessean, undertook, notwithstanding the exhausted Repudiation. condition of the people, the herculean task of rebuilding her railroads; of completing those in process of construction; of restoring her common schools, and of paying, by taxation, the interest accruing on her State debt; and,

Whereas, The arrangements made by the Financial Officers of the State, for the payment of the semi-annual July interest interest falling due on the 1st of July, 1868, was de-1868, feated by an ill-timed and unfortunate litigation instituted by a few speculators in our State securities, which also arrested the receiving of the portion of the principal of the State debt which could not be otherwise provided for; and,

WHEREAS, An additional amount of about one mil-State Debt. lion of dollars of the State debt will fall due during the next two years; and, Digitized by Google

State Resources.

WHEREAS, The burdens of the people, to a great extent, cripple their powers to cultivate the soil, and to develop the other great resources of the State; and

WHEREAS, The injury done to the internal commerce of the country has been such, for the time being, as to disable many of our railroads from bearing their part of the

Commerce.

Laws, etc.

burden of the State debt; and WHEREAS, It is the opinion of this General As-

sembly, that when the State shall have passed the present financial crisis, and her people shall have had time fully to recover from the damage of war, and her railroads to get fairly under way, with her Financial cri-present ample and excellent revenue laws, that the insis, Revenue terest and principal of the State debt, as it may fall due, can be paid with facility, and the credit of the State re established on a permanant foundation; and as the payment of the principal now due, and to fall due during the ensuing two years, by an immediate taxation, is simply impossible; and as the borrowing of money, at an exorbitant interest, or the sale of bonds at a like sacrifice, is not desirable, creditable or econo-

mical: Therefore. SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Bonds matur- the State of Tennessee, That the State of Tennessee will ing 1868-70. deliver the coupon bonds of the State, falling due on the first day of January, nineteen hundred, (1900,) in payment of all bonds of the State, the principal of which

has, or may mature, during the years 1868, 1869 and 1870. SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the Comptroller's duty of the Comptroller of the State, to carry out the

provisions of this Act. duty.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the

duty of the Comptroller from time to time, First, To prepare and sign an estimate of the num-

ber and amount of bonds necessary to carry out the To make esti-provisions of this Act, a copy of which he shall file in mate of Bonds the office of the Secretary of State, and another copy of which he shall present to the Governor; and on prenecessary. sentation of such estimate, it shall be the duty of the Governor to issue to the Comptroller the number and amount of bonds required; and the Comptroller shall execute his receipt for said bonds in the same manner as has been heretofore done by persons or companies entitled to receive the bonds of the State.

To exchange the Bonds.

Second, Said Comptroller shall at once arrange with such Agent in the City of New York, as he may select, and through such Agent he shall exchange said bonds for past-due bonds of the State; or said Comptroller may make such exchange in person, if he shall believe the interests of the State shall be promoted thereby.

Third, He shall, immediately upon the receipt of any over-due bonds, by himself or agent, before transmitting To cancel the same, proceed to cancel the same; and he shall make bonds and remonthly duplicate reports of the number and amounts port to Gov'r of bonds thus cancelled, to the Governor and Secretary and Secretary of State; and the said Secretary of State shall record the same, and require the Comptroller to sign the same on such record.

Fourth, He shall, immediately upon the receipt of To file them. any over-due bonds, proceed to cancel the same, and file

them in his office.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, That the renewing of so much of the State debt as became due on the 7th State Debt by day of May last, by order of the Board of Finance, Board

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, That the expense of is-Expenses of suing and transmitting said Bonds to New York, shall issuing, etc.. be paid out of the Treasury of the State, upon the war-

rant of the Comptroller.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller be, and he is hereby, authorized to borrow such sum or Comptroller sums of money, from time to time, as may be necessary may borrow to provide for the payment of the interest now, or heremoney. after to become due, on the State debt; Provided, The said Comptroller shall not pay more than six (6) per cent. per annum, for the use of said money; and the faith and credit of the State is hereby pledged for the Provise. payment of any money thus borrowed; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized to use the Bonds of the State as collaterals, if necessary.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, That An Act, passed March 13, 1868, entitled "An Act to liquidate the State debt," etc., and establishing a Board of Finance, be, and the same is hereby, repealed; and that this Act

take effect from and after its passage.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Passed September 5, 1868.

CHAPTER II.

AN ACT to Preserve the Public Peace.

Penalty for

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That, if any person or persons, shall unite with, associate with, promote or encourage, aiding or en-any secret organization of persons, that shall prowl couraging un- through the country or towns of this State, by day or by lawful secret night dismissed on otherwise for the purpose of distributions. erganizati'ns. night, disguised or otherwise, for the purpose of disturbing the peace, or alarming the peaceable citizens of any portion of this State, on conviction by any tribunal of the State, shall be fined not less than five hundred dollars, imprisoned in the Penitentiary not less than five years, and shall be rendered infamous.

of Juries.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of all the Courts of this State, before the impanneling Impanneling of any grand or petit jury, in any cause whatever, to enquire of the juror on oath, whether he shall be associated in any way obnoxious to the first section of this Act; and if such juror shall decline to give a voluntary answer, or shall answer affirmatively, such person shall be disqualified as a jupor in any case in any Court in this State. SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, That, for the purpose of

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Failure to

Penalty for avoiding serto appear.

facilitating the execution of the provisions of this Act, it shall be the duty of the Prosecuting Attorneys of this State, or Grand Jurors, or either of them, to summon, or cause to be summoned, any person he shall have a wellgrounded belief, has any knowledge of such organization as described in the first section of this Act; and if any person shall fail or refuse to obey such summons, or shall obey summ'ns appear and refuse to testify, such person so summoned, shall suffer the penalty imposed by the first section of this Act; and if such witness shall avoid the service of said subposna or summons, the Sheriff or other officer, shall return such fact on said process, when the Court shall order a copy of said process to be left at the last place of residence of such person sought to be summoned; vice or failing and if such person shall fail to appear, according to the command of said process, said Court shall enter judgment nisi against such person, for the sum of five hundred dollars, upon which sci. fa. shall issue, as in other cases of forfeiture of subpæna.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, That no prosecutor shall No Prosecut'r be required on any indictment under the provisions of necessary, etc. this Act; and all the Courts of this State shall give a remedial construction to the same; and that no present-

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ment or indictment shall be quashed, or declared insufficient for the want of form.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty Court to read of all the Courts of this State, at every term, for two Lexplain this years from and after the passage of this Act, to call be Act, etc., etc., fore it all the officers thereof, who shall be sworn, and have this Act read or explained to them; and the Court shall ask said officers if they shall have any knowledge of any person in the State, or out of it, that shall be guilty of any of the offenses contained in this Act; and that if, at any time, they shall come to such knowledge, or shall have a well-grounded belief that any person or Officers to inpersons shall be guilty of a violation of this Act, or any form Attorn'y of its provisions, that they will immediately inform the Prosecuting Attorney for the State, thereof; and if such Prosecuting Attorney, upon being so informed, shall fail or refuse, or neglect to prosecute such person or persons. Penalty for so informed on, he shall be subject to the same penalties neglect to imposed by the first section of this Act; and he shall be prosecute. stricken from the roll of Attorneys in said Court.

Sec. 6. Be it further enacted. That if any officer or other person, shall inform any other person that he, or she, is to be summoned as a witness under any of the Penalty for ofprovisions of this Act, or any other statute or law of ing witnesses, this State, with the intent and for the purpose of de-or neglecting feating any of the provisions of this Act, or any crimi-duties impo'd. nal laws of this State; or if any officer, Sheriff, Clerk or Constable, shall refuse or fail to perform any of the duties imposed by this Act, upon conviction, shall suffer the penalties imposed by the first section of this Act; and shall be disqualified from holding office in this State for two years.

Be it further enacted, That, if any person SEC. 7. shall voluntarily inform on any person guilty of any of Reward for the provisions of this Act, upon conviction, such inform-informing on ant shall be entitled to receive one-half of the fine imposed; and if any officer, three-fourths of said fine.

SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, That if any person, guilty of any of the provisions or offenses enumerated in this Act, shall appear before any jury or prose- Offenders incuting officer for the State, and shall inform him or them others, not to of any offense committed by any person, or persons, be prosecuted against the criminal laws of this State, such person or witnesses, shall not be bound to answer any charge for the violation of any provision of any law about which such person or witness shall be examined; and the Court shall protect such witness from any prosecution whatever.

SEC. 9. Be it further enacted, That when any process shall be issued against the person of any citizen, in one

any county of this State, for any violation of the provisions of this Act, and such shall be returned not exeed not execu-cuted, for any cause whatever, by the Sheriff or other officer, to the Court from which it issued, with an affi-

davit appended thereto plainly setting forth the reason for the non-execution of such process, then it shall be

alias capias.

the duty of the Clerk, without delay, to issue an alias capies to the same county, if the home of the defendant shall be in said county, either in part or in whole, when

notice.

Sheriff to give said Sheriff, or other officer, shall give notice to the inhabitants of said county, by posting such notice at the Court-house of said county, of the existence of the issuance of said capias; and if the inhabitants of such coun-

Inhabitants

in county.

ty shall permit such defendant to be or live in said county, in part or in whole, the inhabitants shall be subto pay assess-ject to an assessment of not less than five hundred, nor lowi'g defend more than five thousand dollars, at the discretion of the ant to remain Court; which said assessment shall be made in the fol-

lowing manner, to wit: When the Sheriff, or other officer, shall return his alias capias, showing that said defendant is an inhabitant of said county, in part or in whole, and that the citizens thereof have failed, or refused to arrest said defendant, which every citizen is hereby authorized to do and perform, said Court shall

How to be made.

order a sci. fa. to issue to the proper officer to make known to the Chairman, Judge or other presiding officer of the County Court, to appear and show cause why final judgment should not be entered up against said Refusal of Co. county accordingly, which, if the County Court fails or

Court to act.

refuses to do and perform, any Judge in vacation, shall grant a mandamus to compel said County Court to assess and collect said assessment, to be paid into the State Treasury, for the benefit of the School Fund; Provided, said assessment shall not be made if the Sheriff, or other officer, upon the return of the original or alias writs, show cause why the same cannot be executed, which may be done by his affidavit, and two re-

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spectable witnesses, known to the Court as such. SEC. 10. Be it further enacted, That all the inhabi-Offender may tants in this State shall be authorized to arrest any perwithout pro- son defendant under the provisions of this Act, in any

county in this State, without process. cess.

Penalty for the laws.

SEC. 11. Be it further enacted, That, if any person, or persons, shall write, publish, advise, entreat or peradvising per-suade, privately or publicly, any class of persons, or insons to resist dividuals, to resist any of the laws of this State, calculated to molest or disturb the good people and peaceable citizens of the State, such persons shall be subject to the penalties of the first section of this Act; and if any attorney-at-law, he shall be stricken from the roll of at-

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torneys, and be prevented from practicing in any court in this State.

SEC. 12. Be it further enacted, That, if any person penalty for shall make threats against any elector, or person author-intimidating ized to exercise the elective franchise, with the intention electors. of intimidating or preventing such person, or persons, from attending any election in this State, they shall be subject to the penalties inflicted by the first section of this Act.

SEC. 13. Be it further enacted, That, if any person, or persons, shall attempt to break up any election in break up elections, shall attempt to break up any election in break up elections. State, or advise the same to be done, with the view tions, etc. of preventing the lawful or qualified citizens of this State from voting, all such persons, on conviction, shall be subject to all the penalties prescribed by the first section of this Act; and the Attorney for the State, in all convictions under the provisions of this Act, shall be entitled torney-Gento a tax fee of one hundred dollars, to be taxed in the bill eral. of costs to be paid by the defendant, but in no case to be paid by the State or county. And the Attorney prosecuting for the State shall keep all information given him a recret, unless it shall become necessary, in the opinion of the Court, the same should be made public.

SEC. 14. Be it further enacted. That it shall be the Judges to give duty of all the Judges in t is State, to read this Act to this Act to the Grand Juries, and give it specially in charge to said Grand Juries.

juries.

SEC. 15. Be it further enacted, That the Treasurer of this State shall not be authorized to pay any Judge in Treasurer not this State any salary, or to any Clerk, Sheriff or Attor-until they ney, any fee or bill of costs, that may accrue to such comply with parties under the provisions of this Act, until such Judge this Act. or other officer, shall have filed with the Comptroller or Treasurer, an affidavit, plainly setting forth that he has fully complied with the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 16. Be it further enacted, That, if any person or citizen of this State, shall voluntarily feed or lodge, or Penalty for entertain, or conceal, in the woods or elsewhere, any concealing offender known to such person to be charged with any criminal offense under this Act, such person shall suffer the penalty prescribed by the first section of this Act; Provided, that this section shall not apply to persons who, under the ancient law, might feed or conceal the party charged.

SEC. 17. Be it further enacted, That, if any person guilty of any of the offenses enumerated in this Act, Real estate shall have, or own, or possess, any real estate, held by held bound deed, grant or entry, or by fee, or entail, in law or equi-for all costs, ty, the same shall be bound for the costs, fines or penal-etc. ties imposed by any of the provisions of this Act; and a

Same.

lien is hereby declared attached to all such estates in law or equity, as above, dating from the day or night of the commission of the offense, which fact may be found by the jury trying the cause, or any other jury empanneled for that purpose; and if, in the opinion of the Court, the defendant has evaded the law, the jury shall find such fact, and the estate of defendant shall be made liable for the costs of the State; and there shall be no limitation to the recovery of the same.

Jury to find verdict and amount of

SEC. 18. Be it further enacted, That, if any person or persons, shall be guilty of a violation of any of the provisions of this Act, to the prejudice or injury of any individual, the jury trying the defendant shall or may damages, etc. find such fact, with the amount of injury sustained, which shall be paid to the injured party, or person entitled to the same by the laws of the descent of this State, with all costs, and who shall have the same lien on the property of the defendant that is possessed, or given, to the State by this Act.

Penalty for making or keeping disguises.

SEC. 19. Be it further enacted, That, if any person shall, knowingly make, or cause to be made, any uniform or regalia, in part or in whole, for a disguise of any person or persons, by night or day, or shall be found in possession of the same, for any unlawful purpose, he, she or they, shall be fined at the discretion of the Court, and shall be rendered infamous.

Officer's to take oath, etc.

SEC. 20. Be it further enacted, That, in addition to the oath prescribed by the Constitution and oath of office, every public officer shall swear that he has never been a member of the organization known as the Ku Klux Klan, or other disguised body of mon, contrary to the laws of the State; and that he has, neither directly or indirectly, aided, encouraged, supported, or in any manner countenanced said organization.

Attorneys and others. to receive five per cent.

SEC. 21. Be it further enacted. That the Attorneys, or prosecuting officers for the State, shall be entitled to and receive five per cent. on all forfeitures or assessments made by this Act, as compensation, to be paid by the defendant.

Standard of damages.

SEC. 22. Be it further enacted, That the standard of damages for injuries to individuals, shall be as follows, to-wit: For disturbing of the officers of the State, or other persons, by entering the house or houses, or place of residence, of any such individuals, by day or by night. in a hostile manner, or against his will, the sum of ten thousand dollars, and it shall be lawful for the person so assailed to kill the assailant. For killing any individual in the night, twenty thousand dollars; *Provided*, such person killed was peaceable at the time. That all other

For disturbing officers.

For killing.

injuries shall be assessed by the Court and jury in pro-Digitized by Google

portion; and the Court trying said causes may grant as many new trials as may, in his opinion, be necessary to New trials.

attain the ends of justice.

SEC. 23. Be it further enacted, That all persons pres-Misdemeanor ent, and not giving immediate information on the offend for not iners, shall be regarded guilty of a misdemeanor against forming.

the law, and shall be punished accordingly.

SEC. 24. Be it further enacted, That it shall not be Publication of lawful for any person to publish any proffered or pre-orders, etc. tended order of any secret unlawful clan; and any person convicted under any of the previsions of this Act, shall not claim, hold or possess any property, real or person-All property al, exempt from execution, fine, penalty or costs, under fines, etc. this Act; Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent or exempt any person heretofore guilty of any of the offenses herein contained, Proviso. from prosecution under the law as it now stands. This

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representations.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Passed September 10th, 1868.

Act to take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER III.

AN ACT to Enforce the Laws of the State.

WHEREAS, There exists in this State lawless bands of desperadoes, who are setting at defiance civil law, and Lawless by threats of violence, are forcing many of our citizens bands. to leave their homes; and,

WHEREAS, In certain localities it is entirely impossible for civil officers of the State to enforce the laws thereof; in order that the supremacy of the law may be Civil law. maintained, and that peace and order may prevail;

Therefore,

SECTION 1, Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennesses, That the Governor be, and he Governor is hereby authorized and empowered, to organize, equip may organize and call into active service, at his discretion, a volun-"State teer force, to be known as the "Tennesses State Guards," Guards." to be composed of one or more regiments from each

Loyal men.

Congressional District of the State; Provided, always, that said "Tennessee State Guards" shall be composed of loval men, who shall take and subscribe an oath to support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Tennessee.

How regulated.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the State Guards organized under the provisions of this Act shall be governed and regulated in all respects, by the revised rules and regulations of the army of the United States.

Comptroller to issue war-

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller of the State shall issue his Warrant upon the Treasurer, payable to the order of the Governor, for any amount in the opinion of the Governor, actually necesrant for funds sary for the organization, equipment, transportation, to pay expen-support and payment, of said "State Guards," not to exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars at any one time; and the same shall be paid out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated; the amount so drawn from the Treasury to be replaced as hereinafter provided.

Representation to Gov.

Be it further enacted, That, whenever a full representation is made to the Governor from any county or counties by the Judge and Attorney-General of the Circuit in which said county or counties are situated, and the Senator and Representatives, and ten Union men of good moral character, of said county or counties, that the laws cannot be enforced, and the good citizens of that county or counties cannot be protected in their just rights on account of rebellion, or insurrection, or the opposition of the people to the enforcement Martial law, of law and order, the Governor be, and he is hereby empowered, to declare martial law in any county or counties of the State, for the protection and safety of the citizens thereof; and furthermore, as it is right and proper that good, peaceable, and law-abiding citizens of the State should not be held responsible or suffer loss for the violent acts of such turbulent communities. it shall be the duty of the Governor to assess and collect a sufficient amount for the full payment of said "State Guard" so employed, out of said county or counties so declared under martial law, as provided for in Sections 3 and 4, of An Act passed February 1st, 1868, Chapter thirty-three entitled "An Act to amend An Act for the protection of Sheriffs, etc."

Governor to to make assessment.

> SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, That upon the application of the sworn statement of ten or more known unconditional Union men, of good moral character, or three Justices of the Peace of any county in this State, setting forth that the civil laws cannot be enforced in such county, and that the law-abiding citizens cannot be

Applications for troops.

protected in their rights and liberties without the aid of the military authorities, it shall be the duty of the Gov-Governer to ernor to furnish such number of troops as may be ne-furnish troops cessary to enforce the laws and protect the citizens from violence.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, That all laws, and Repealed. parts of laws, in conflict with this Act, are repealed; and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives. D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Passed September 10th, 1868.

CHAPTER IV.

AN ACT to Defray the Expenses of this Extraordinary Session of the General Assembly.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Comptroller of the Comptroller Treasury issue his warrant to each Member of the Senate issue warrant and House of Representatives, for the sum stated to be to members. due to each, in the annexed Report of the Committee on Finance.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller Officers. issue his warrant to the Officers of the Senate and House of Representatives, to-wit:

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SEC. 3. Be it further exacted. That the Principal Prin'pal Cl'ks Clerk of the Senate, and the Principal Clerk of the of House and House of Representatives, shall remain a sufficient time Senate to re-after the adjournment, to ale their papers of the Senate and House of Representatives in the Secretary of State's office, and close up their business; for which each of them shall be allowed forty cents per page, for copying the Journals; and that the Comptroller issue his warrant for the same.

es to Clerks.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller of Pay for Index- the Treasury issue his warrant to D. M. Nelson, Principal Clerk of the Senate, and Geo. Edgar Grisham, Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives, for twenty five dollars each, for making out and preparing an Index to the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives, for this Extra Session.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller Comptroll'r to issue to, and pay, the several publishers of the newspapay for papers pers, for the papers actually furnished and subscribed furnished memfor by the General Assembly, and laid upon the tables of each member every day of the session, at the current subscription price of the same. Said payment shall be made in accordance with House Resolution No. 9. of this Extra Session of the General Assembly, regulating the number of papers each member shall receive at the expense of the State, for which he actually subscribed.

Speaker of House to remain.

bers.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, That the Hon. F. S. Richards, Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall remain a sufficient time, after the adjournment, to close up his official business, and that he be allowed his per diem; and that the Comptroller issue his warrant for the same.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller issue his warrant to each member of the House of Rep-Post. Stamps. resentatives, for three dollars, to procure postage stamps, for the use of the members and officers of the same, as per House Resolution No. --.

Speaker of Senate to remain.

SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, That the Hon. D. W. C. Senter, Speaker of the Senate, shall remain a sufficient time, after the adjournment, to close up his official business, and he be allowed his per diem; and the Comptroller issue his warrant on the Treasurer for the same.

SEC. 9. Be it further enacted. That the Engrossing Eng. Clerks of Clerk of the Senate, and the Engrossing Clerk of the House & Sen'te House of Representatives, shall, each of them, be required to complete their duties, prior to, and before the adjournment of this Extra Session of the General Assembly.

SEC. 10. Be it further enacted, That the Secretary of Acts & Jour-State cause one copy of the Acts and Journals of the present Extra Session of the General Assembly, to be bers, etc.

bound for each member of both Houses, and the officers of the same, and to be distributed with the other Acts

and Journals.

SEC. 11. Be it further enacted, That the Secretary of State and Comptroller of the Treasury, examine the ac-Sec'y of State counts for Job Printing executed for this Extra Session to examine of the General Assembly, and pay the same, as per rates printer's bills. specified by law, out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 12. Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller of the Treasury issue his warrant to the Nashville Gas Gas Light Co. Light Company, for the amount due them for gas fur-

nished at the Capitol.

SEC. 13. Be it further enacted, That the provisions of section 19, of An Act entitled "An Act to pay the current expenses of this General Assembly," etc., passed Act of March March 13th, 1868, shall apply, in all respects, to the payment of the expenses of this Extra Session of the General Assembly, as per House Joint Resolution No. 29.

Sec. 14. Be it further enocted, That the Comptroller issue his warrant on the Treasurer, to Capt. Frank Hy-F'k Hyberger. berger, for the sum of eight dollars and fifty cents, as

per House Resolution No. 24.

SEC. 15. Be it further enacted, That the sum of twenty dollars be allowed J. M. Alexander, Engrossing Clerk J.M.Alexan'r. of the House, for extra services in keeping an Index to the written Journal of the House, for the benefit and convenience of the members thereof.

SEC. 16. Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller issue his warrant on the Treasurer, to Capt. Frank Hy-F'k Hybergers berger, for the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars and forty cents, for expenses incurred in procuring

witnesses, as per House Joint Resolution No. --

SEC. 17. Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller issue his warrant to the Chairman of the Joint Committee appointed under Senate Joint Resolution No. 10, for S. J. B., No. 10 traveling expenses, while in the discharge of the duties assigned them, upon the Chairman presenting an account therefor.

SEC. 18. Be it further enacted, That the sum of fifty dollars is hereby appropriated to the Rev. Wm. W. Rev. Wm. W. Campbell, for acting as Chaplain in opening the sessions Campbell. of the Senate with prayer, during this Extra Session, and that the Comptroller issue his warrant on the Treasurer for the same.

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	Aldridge, Jno	50 50	\$200 200	500 36 6	\$80 00 58 72	\$280 00 258 72
	Eckel, Joseph	50	200	626		316 00
	Eaton, R. P	50	200	492	78 72	278 72
	Elliott, W. Y	50	200	62	9 97	
	Frierson, J. B	50	200	106	16 96	
	Fuson, J. A	50	200	120	1	
	Garner, W. A	50	200		1	230 72
	Henderson, S. M	50	200		66 56	
Members of	Keith, G. W	50	200		91 20	
the Senate.	Lindsley, A. V. S	50	200			200 00
	Lyle, Berry	50	200		40 00	240 00
	Matthews, S	50	200	500	80 00	
	McCall, J. R	50	200	600	96 00	
	Nelson, P. P. C	50	200	727		
	Norman, Jno	50	200		36 16	
	Patterson, H. S	50	200		19 20	1
	Parker S	50	200		27 80	
	Rodgers, Jno. B	50	200	1 - 1 -	1	
	Smith, W. J	50	200		75 20	
	Underwood, C	50	200			I :
•	Wisener, W. H	50	200		20 16	1 111 11
	Wyatt, Wm	50	200		33 60	
	Wilson, David	50	200		38 40	
•	Senter, D. W. C., Sp'kr.	50	300			
	REPRESENTATIVES' NAMES.	No. of Days.	Per Diem.	Miles tr v 'ld	Mileage.	Total Amount.
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•	Agee, J. H	50	\$ 200		\$90 96	
	Allen, R. J	50	200	500	80 00	280 00
	Anderson, Jno	50	200	350	56 00	256 00
,	Baker, J. W	50	200		112 00	312 00
	Bowles, Jno	50	200	372	59 52	259 52
Members of	Brown, J. W	50	200	164		
the House of	Blackman, S. M	50	200		80 00	
Representa- tives.	Bloom, G. M	50	200	428	68 48	
	Bosson, Wm	50	200	64		
	Brewer, David	50	200	220	!	
	Carter, B. M	50	200	140		
	Chiles, J. C	50	200	560	89 60	
	Carey, Jno	50	200	200	32 00	
	Cagle, M. J. J	50	200		16 00	
•	Cason, Favor	50	200	80	12 80	212 80

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Cordell, J. M	50	\$200	650	104	00	\$304	00	Members of
Dame, G. W	50	200	266	42	56	242	56	House of Rep-
Doughty, J. A	50	200	560	89	5 0	289	50	resentatives,
Dowdy, Rufus	50	200			24			
Dyer, J. C	50	200			40	294		
Faulkner, L. L	50	200	1	33	60	233		
Galbraith, R	50	200	1	29	16	220	16	
Griffith, J. C	50	200	452		32	I:	32	
Gilmer, J	50	200	112	17	92	217	92	
Grayson, J. W. M	50	200		131	20	331	20	
Hale, James	50	200		100	80	300	80	
Hodge, E. J	50	200	460	73	60	273	60	
Hewatt, R. A	50	200	350	56	00	256	00	
Hamilton, T. A	50	200	470		20	275	20	•
Hamilton, J. H	50	200	250	40	00	240	00	
Hunt, T. S	50	200	120	19	20	219	20	
Hammer, J. M	50	200	594	95	04	295	04	
Hacker, N.	50	200		115	20	315	20	Same.
Inman, S. H	50	200		100	08	300		
Inman, Charles	50	200	600	96	00	296	00	
Jordan, W	50	200	50	8	00	208	00	
Jehnson, W. H	50	200	560		60	289	60	
Kercheval, T. A	50	200	000	00		200	00	
Lillard, A. F	50	200	100	16	00	216	00	•
Medlin, Robert	50	200	370	59	20	259	20	•
Meyers, Vincent	50	200	610	97	60	297	60	
McFall, D. M	50	200	36	5	76	205	76	•
McKinley, Thompson.	50	200	52	8	32	208	32	
Morris, Hiram	50	200	132	20	80	220	80	
Murray, W. W	50	200	214	33	92	233	92	
McNair, J. E	50	200	220	35	20	235	20	•
Mynatt, L. M	50	200	555	88	80	288	80	
Mason, T. J.	50	200	472	75	52	275	50	Same.
	50	200	360	57	60	257		•
Moore, J. A	50	200	400	64		264	60	
Poston, W. T	50	200			00 36	223	00	
Donton T T	50	200	146 360	23 57	60		36	
Porter, J. J	1 11	200					60	
Prosser, W. F	50	200	16 268	42	56	202 242	56	
Prestwood, J. A	50	200			88		88	
Pitts, Alfred	1		356	56	96 84	256	96	
Reeves, J. O. K	50	200				299	84	
Reed, J. P. C	50	200	1	27	52	227	52	
Robinson, W. T	50	200	1	19	20	219	20	
Ryder, M. T	50	200		75	20		20	
Roach, J. J	50	200	250	40	00	24 0	VV	•

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	Singletary, F. S	50	\$200	\$ 762	121 92	\$321 92	
Members of	Shepherd. W. H	50	200	640	102 40	802 40	
House of Rep-	Smith, T. A.	50	200	262	41 92	241 92	
recentatives.	Sparkman, James	50	200	250	40 00	240 00	
	Stone, I. C	50	200	280	44 80	244 80	
	Taylor, I. A	50	200		120 64	320 64	
	Taylor, Jesse	50	200	260	41 60	241 64	
	Thornburgh, J. W	50	200	596			
	Thornburgh, D. G	50	200	576	92 16	292 16	
	Thompson, G. W	50	200	126	20 16	220 16	
	Turner, W. R. H	50	200	196	31 36	231 36	
	White, W. O	50	200	360	57 6 0	257 60	
Same.	White, J. B	50	200	704	112 64	312 64	
	Woodcock, W. M	50	200	150	24 00	224 00	
	Woodard, Jno	50	200	50	8 00	208 00	
	Welsh, Jno	50	200	826	132 16	332 1 6	
	Walker, J. P	50	200	400	64 00	264 00	
	Waters, W. L.	50	200	90	14 40		
	Williams, E. S	50	200	120	19 20	219 20	
	Wines, G. W	50	200	125	20 00		
	Richards, F. S., Sp'kr	50	300	470	75 20	375 2 0	

SEC. 19. Be at further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

F. S. RICHARDS, Speaker of the Mouse of Representatives.

D. W. C. SENTER,
Speaker of the Senate.

Passed September 10th, 1868.

RESOLUTIONS.

NUMBER I.

SENATE RESOLUTION Notifying House of Representatives of the erganization of the Senate.

Resolved, That the Principal Clerk of the Senate be directed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate is organized and ready for business.

D. W. C. SENTER.

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted July 28th, 1868.

NUMBER IL

HOUSE RESOLUTION Appointing Frank Hyberger Sergeant-at-Arms.

Resolved, That Captain Frank Hyberger be, and he is hereby appointed Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives, Vice Wm. Heydt, removed from the State.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted July 28th, 1868.

NUMBER III.

SENATE RESOLUTION Referring Governor's Message to appropriate Committees.

Resolved 1st, That so much of the Governor's Message as refers to the calling out the Militia and suppressing the Ku Klux Klan, be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Resolved 2nd, That so much of the Governor's Message as refers to the Finances of the State, bereferred to

the Committe on Finance, Ways and Means.

Resolved 3rd, That so much of the Governor's Message as refers to the Penitentiary, be referred to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

Resolved further, That the said Committees have power to send for persons and papers in their examination.

D. W. C. SENTER,
Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted July 28th, 1868.

NUMBER IV.

SENATE RESOLUTION Furnishing Newspapers, etc., to Members and Officers.

Resolved, That the usual newspapers be furnished this House for the use of the members and officers thereof.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted July 28th, 1868.

NUMBER V.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Furnishing Newspapers to Members and Officers.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Doorkeeper furnish each member and officer, with three daily newspapers this Extra Session, and the expenses be included in the General Appropriation Bill.

F. S. RICHARDS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted July 29th, 1868.

NUMBER VI.

SENATE RESOLUTION Calling upon Comptroller for Report as to State Bonds, Railroad Companies, State Debt, Clerks, Revenue Collectors, etc.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be respectfully requested, as early as practicable, to report to the Senate

for the information thereof,

First, Whether the semi-annual interest falling due July 1st, 1867, on the Bonds of the State, issued for herself and the railroad companies, indorsed by the State, was paid, and if so, out of what funds, and from what sources derived.

Second, Whether the semi-annual interest on said bonds falling due on the first day of January, 1868, was paid, if so, out of what funds, and from what sources derived, and by what authority the funds were thus applied, if by law, by whom, and by what authority made, and how much, and from whom borrowed?

Third, What bonds, and what amount have fallendue the present year, and whether they, or any partthereof, have been paid, and if not, why not; or if any portion has been paid, out of what funds, and how were they raised, and when were said bonds thus paid?

Fourth, Whether the semi-annual interest, falling due the first instant on the bonds of the State, or for which she is liable, has been paid, if not, why not, and

how much thereof is unpaid, and whether any previous

semi-annual interest is unpaid?

Fifth, Whether any, and if so, what railroad companies have failed to pay the interest on the bonds loaned to them, or on their own bonds indorsed by the State, due the first of July instant, and what amount is owing by each, either of the July or previous interest?

Sixth, Whether any of the railroads to which bonds of the State have been loaned, have been placed in the hands of Receivers, and if so, what roads; and whether the Receivers, or any of them, since their appoinment, have paid the interest on the bonds issued to their respective companies?

Seventh, That he report the amount of State debt, either direct, collateral, or contingent, and the amount of the funds that is required semi-annually to meet the interest, and what means the State has to pay the same.

Eighth, That he report the names and amounts in arrears, of persons charged with the collection of the revenue, either as Clerks or Collectors, if there be any such, and when the same was due and payable, and what means have been adopted to enforce the payment thereof.

And be it further resolved, That to enable the Comptroller to furnish the foregoing information speedily, he may employ such number of clerks as may be necessary for that purpose, and that the clerk furnish him with a copy hereof.

D. W. C. SENTER, Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted July 29th, 1868.

NUMBER VII.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Lamenting the death of Hon. M. A. Graves.

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Tennessee, That we deeply regret the death of the Hon. M. A. Graves, Representative from the County of Jackson; that in his death, the House has lost a useful member, the State a good citizen, and the Government a firm and ardent supporter, having served in her army during the rebellion.

Resolved further, That we sympathize with his family; and as a token of respect for his memory, that the members and officers of this body wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days; and that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of the deceased, and that the same be spread on the Journal of this House.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted July 29th, 1868.

NUMBER VIII.

SENATE RESOLUTION Calling on Board of Finance for Report as to the manner in which they have discharged the duties imposed on them, etc.

Resolved, That the Financial Board, created by the Act of the Legislature, Chapter 69, passed on the 13th day of March, be respectfully requested to furnish the Senate with a full statement, or report, of the manner in which they have discharged the duties imposed on

them by said Act, particularly.

First, Whether any bonds have been issued under said Act, if so, how many, and at what rate of interest; whether either principal or interest on the face of said bonds was payable in gold or in the lawful money of the United States; and whether any of said bonds have been disposed of, and whether at par or at a premium or discount, and at what rate of premium or discount, and in what market, and where the principal and interest were payable, and what became of the proceeds.

Second, Whether any of the Bonds of the State have fallen due, and if so, how many, and whether they were paid at or before maturity, if not, have they, or any portion of them been since paid, and how were they paid; and what bonds have fallen due since the creation

of said Board.

Third, Whether the semi-annual interest on the Bonds of the State, issued for her own use and benefit,

have been paid.

Fourth, Whether the semi-annual interest on the Bonds of the State loaned to railroad companies, and on the bonds of railroad companies, indorsed by the State, have been paid, either by them or the State, and

if not, why not; and how much of said interest is now owing and unpaid, either by the companies or State.

D. W. C. SENTER.

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted July 29th, 1868.

NUMBER IX.

SENATE RESOLUTION Requesting Directors of the Penitentiary to report.

Resolved, That the Directors of the Penitentiary be requested to report in full, the condition of the Prison, and the troubles by which they are surrounded.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted July 30th, 1868.

NUMBER X.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Sustaining the Credit of the State.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the maintenance of the State credit is the duty of every honest and patriotic citizen; and her present financial obligations, under all circumstances, are to be upheld in the strictest integrity and good faith; and all insinuations of bad faith or repudiation, direct or indirect, are unworthy of a sensitive and high-souled people, who have ever been ready to maintain her honor with their blood and treasure.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted July 30, 1868.

NUMBER XI.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Lamenting the death e Hon. James M. Martin.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That we deeply regret the death of Hon. James M. Martin, Representative from the County of Carroll, who died of pneumonia, at his residence in Carroll County, Tennessee, April 21st, 1868; that in his death this body has lost a good and patriotic member, the State a good citizen, the Government a soldier and friend, his family an affectionate protector.

Resolved further, That we sympathize with his bereaved family and friends; and, as a token of our respect for his memory, that the members and officers of the General Assembly wear the usual badge of mourning

for thirty days.

Resolved further, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to his family, and the same be spread upon the Journal of this General Assembly.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Smale.

Adopted July 30, 1868.

NUMBER XII.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION To pay members of the Senate and House, their per diem.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Treasurer pay to each member of the Senate and House, and the officers of each House, their per diem up to the time of the application, taking their receipts therefor.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted July 31, 1868.

NUMBER XIII.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Declaring certain Committees Independent House Committees.

Resolved, That the Select Committees appointed by this House, to take into consideration that portion of the Governor's Message relating to the Penitentiary and Militia, be declared independent House Committees, and requested to take into immediate consideration the matters referred to them.

F. S. RICHARDS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Adopted July 31, 1868.

NUMBER XIV.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Calling on Col. A. E. Boone, for report, etc., etc.

Resolved, That Col A. E. Boone is hereby requested to furnish to this body, a report of his actions and settlements, and is further requested to furnish a detailed statement of the entire expenses of the Tennessee State Guard.

Resolved further, That the Select Committee appointed by this House, to settle with Col. A. E. Boone, be constituted an Independent House Committee, and requested to go forward in the settlement with Col. Boone, in accordance with the recommendations made by the Governor.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted July 31, 1868.

NUMBER XV.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Calling upon Comptroller for report as to Engraved Bonds, etc.

Resolved, That the Comptroller report to this House, the number and character of bonds engraved and delivered for the use of the State since the 8th day of April, 1865, to the 31st day of July, 1868; the number and character of engaved bonds executed and issued, and for what purpose they were issued, since the 8th of April, 1865, to the 31st day of July, and the date of their maturity; the number of bonds and their character, rate of interest, and the date of their maturity, executed and not used, and on hand, and for what purpose they were intended to be used; and the report, as above required, to state the interest of the bonds issued, and whether to be paid in currency or in gold; and that he also report the number of engraved bonds on hand and not executed.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted July 31, 1868.

NUMBER XVI.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION Directing Comptroller to issue Warrant for Postage Stamps.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Comptroller issue his warrant upon the Treasurer, to the Door-keeper of the Senate, for three dollars for each member and officer of the Senate, for postage stamps; and that he also issue his warrant to the door-keeper of the House for the like purpose, for a similar amount, for each member and officer of the House.

F. S. RICHARDS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
D. W. C. SENTER,
Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted August 3, 1868.

NUMBER XVII.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Appointing Committee to make Investigations as to Conspiracy against the State credit.

WHEREAS, It is evident that a foul conspiracy has been entered into, by parties as yet unknown to the public, for the purpose of injuring the credit of the State and depreciating the price of her bonds, for purposes of speculation.

Whereas, His Excellency, W. G. Brownlow, Governor of Tennessee, recommends the appointment by the General Assembly, of a Joint Select Committee, with full power to send for persons and papers, for the purpose of ferreting out the guilty parties: Therefore.

purpose of ferreting out the guilty parties; Therefore, Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Tennessee, That a Select Committee of five be appointed with full power to send for persons and papers, and make a thorough examination into all the facts and circumstances connected with the aforesaid conspiracy, and report to the General Assembly as soon as practicable.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives. Adopted August 3, 1868.

NUMBER XVIII.

SENATE RESOLUTION Calling on Secretary of State and Comptroller to report in regard to payment of interest on State Debt, etc.

WHEREAS, The Report of the Financial Board, submitted through its President, Mr. Watson, censures the conduct of the Comptroller and Secretary of State, during and since their connection with said Board, placing the responsibility of the failure to pay the interest of the State debt upon them; Therefore,

Resolved, That the Comptroller and Secretary of State, be, and are hereby requested, to report such facts upon the subject as may be in their possession, as early as convenient.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted August 4, 1868.

NUMBER XIX.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Calling on Secretary of the Board of Finance to report to the House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, The Act creating the Board of Finance, requires that the record of the proceedings of said Board shall be laid before the Legislature; Therefore,

Be it resolved, That the Secretary of the Board of Finance make out, without delay, a copy of the record of the proceedings of said Board, and present the same to the House.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted August 5, 1868.

NUMBER XX.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Asking Secretary of State and Comptreller to report in relation to their connection with Board of Finance.

WHEREAS, The Secretary of State and Comptroller have not, of late, taken part in the proceedings of the Board of Finance; Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Secretary of State and Comptroller, be requested to report to the House an account of their connection with, and their reasons why they have not taken part, of late, in the proceedings of said Board.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives. Adopted August 5, 1868.

NUMBER XXI.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Calling on the United States Government for Troops.

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs take into consideration the subject of calling on the United States authorities to furnish, as the emergency may demand, to the State of Tennessee, a military force to aid the Government in preserving the peace and affording protection to the persons and property of our citizens; and that they report the result of their deliberations.

F. S. RICHARDS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Adopted August 7, 1868.

NUMBER XXII.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Granting the use of the Hall of the House to Judge Lewis and others.

Resolved, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Thursday evening, be granted General W. J. Smith, Judge Lewis, Captain Hudson and Captain Carter, in conjunction with parties granted the same privilege, by action of this House, on yesterday.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted August 11, 1868.

NUMBER XXIII.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Calling on the Special Committee on Military Affairs, to report.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Special Committee on Military Affairs, be requested to report to this House, whether there are any State Guards now existing under the laws of this State.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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Adopted August 11, 1868.

NUMBER XXIV.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION Upon the Death of Thaddens Stevens.

WHEREAS, The mournful intelligence has been communicated to this body, that it has pleased Almighty God, in his inscrutable wisdom, to remove from the scenes of this transitory world, the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, a member of the House of Representatives of the United States, from the State of Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, We deem it peculiarly appropriate, as the Representatives of the loyal people of Tennessee, in whose welfare he ever manifested a deep interest, that we should, in contemplating this sad event, mingle our lamentations with those of the loyal people of the Na-

tion: and

Whereas, In common with the great body of the American people, we recognize and bow to this dispensation of Divine Providence, as a National bereavement; Therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That we profoundly deplore his death; that we should ever honor his memory as the true statesman, the devoted patriot, the powerful advocate of the doctrine of American Unity and Nationality, and the able defender of human freedom, equal laws, and equal rights.

Resolved, That as a mark of our sincere respect and deep sorrow, and as a further tribute to the memory of the deceased, each member of this General Assembly will wear on his left arm, for thirty days, a suitable badge of mourning; and that the Superintendent of the Capitol be instructed to place the flag at half mast on the Capitol; and that the Clerk transmit a copy to the family of the deceased.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senats.

Adopted August 14, 1868.

NUMBER XXV.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Granting the use of the Hall of the House to the National Teachers' Association.

Whereas, By a Joint Resolution, passed February 15, 1868, this General Assembly invited, through the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the National Teachers' Association, and other educational organizations therewith, to hold their annual meeting in the City of Nashville, and did offer for their free use, the Hall of the House of Representatives, the Senate Chamber, and other conveniences of the Capitol; which invitation and offer was accepted;

Be it, therefore, resolved by the House of Representatives, (the Senate concurring,) That the two Houses will take a recess, from Saturday, the 15th inst., at 12 o'clock, M., to Friday, at 12 o'clock, M., the 21st inst.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives:

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Sonate.

Adopted August 14, 1868.

NUMBER XXVI.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION Instructing Comptroller as to payments to Railroad Receivers.

Resolved by the Senate, (the House concurring,) That the Comptroller of the Treasury is hereby respectfully instructed not to pay any money out of the Treasury of the State, to Railroad Receivers, for services rendered as such Receiver, until said Receiver has made a full and complete settlement, and complied, in every respect, with the law of the State pertaining to their duty.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.
D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted August 14, 1868.

NUMBER XXVII.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Appointing a Committee to invetigate charges against Thomas B. McElwee.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That a Committee, to consist of three on the part of the House, and Eckel and McCall on the part of the Senate, be appointed to investigate charges brought against Thos. B. McElwee, as Warden of the Penitentiary; and that the Committee be empowered to send for persons and papers, and make a full report to the General Assembly.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives
D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted August 27, 1868.

NUMBER XXVIII.

HOUSE RESOLUTION To Print the Comptroller's Report.

WHEREAS, The Report of the Comptroller of the State, in answer to House Resolution, passed August 3d, 1868, calling upon him for an account of his connection with the Board of Finance, was not printed by order of the House; and,

Whereas, It is believed this omission was the result of a misunderstanding of the nature of the document; and,

Whereas, Said document was written in answer to a Resolution of this House, and contains much information which ought to be in possession of the people; Therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That two thousand copies of said Report be printed for the use of the members of this House.

F. S. RICHARDS, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted August 29, 1868.

NUMBER XXIX.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Calling on the Special Committee en Finance, to report.

WHEREAS, The Special Committee on Finance, appointed to investigate the alleged conspiracy against the State credit, have made no satisfactory report, but have announced that they will not report in full until the next session of the Legislature; and,

Whereas, The Chairman of said Committee has obtained indefinite leave of absence, and may not be present in time to report to this session of the Legislature;

and.

Whereas, The members of this House, and the people of the State, have a right to know what proof has been taken, and what has been done by said Committee;

Therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the next member, as Chairman of said Committee, be, and he is hereby, required, immediately to report to this House, and deposit with the Principal Clerk, all the evidence taken by said Committee, and that the same be read and printed.

F. S. RICHARDS.

Speaker of the House of Representatives. Adopted August 31, 1868.

NUMBER XXX.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Paying the Speaker and Officers on a Specie Basis.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That House Joint Resolution No. 82, adopted on the 9th day of December, 1867, authorizing the Comptroller to audit the accounts of Speakers, members and

officers, on a specie basis, be made to apply, in all provisions, to the present Extra Session of the Legislature.

F. S. RICHARDS.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

D. W. C. SENTER, Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted August 31, 1868.

NUMBER XXXI.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Requesting the Directors of the Penitentiary to report.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Directors of the Penitentiary be required to report to this House, immediately, whether the law has been complied with, which requires that the Lessees of the Penitentiary shall give an approved bond in the sum of \$50,000, for the fulfillment of their contract.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives. Adopted August 31, 1868.

NUMBER XXXII.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION Raising Committee to call upon the President of the United States to give protection to the lawabiding citizens of Tennessee.

Resolved by the Senute, (the House concurring,) That a Joint Select Committee, to consist of one on the part of the Senate, and two on the part of the House, be appointed to wait upon his Excellency, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States of America, and place fully before him the present condition of affairs in this

State, and urge upon him to take steps to give protection to the law-abiding citizens of the State, under the provisions of the Constitution of the United States.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

D. W. C. SENTER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted September 1, 1868.

NUMBER XXXIII.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Directory to the Comptroller as to the payment of Witnesses, etc., etc.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Comptroller be, and he is hereby required, to issue his warrant to the Sergeant-at-Arms for the payment of the accounts of witnesses, and the expenses incurred in the execution of the orders of the different committees authorized to send for persons and papers; and that said payments be included in the General Appropriation Bill of this present session; Provided said accounts are approved by the Chairmen of said committees, respectively.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

D. W. C. SFNTER,

Speaker of the Senats.

Adopted September 2, 1868.

NUMBER XXXIV.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Instructing the Directors of the State Penitentiary to place the accounts of Ward & Briggs in the hands of the Attorney-General.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Directors of the Tennessee Peniten-

tiary, be, and are hereby instructed to place the accounts of the State against Ward & Briggs, for labor of convicts from June 23d to December 31st, 1867, inclusive, in the hands of the Attorney-General of the State, to be prosecuted to a final settlement in the Courts.

F. S. RICHARDS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
D. W. C. SENTER,
Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted September 2, 1868.

NUMBER XXXV.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION To Adjourn on the 14th of September, 1868.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That this Extraordinary Session adjourn sine die, on Monday, the 14th day of September, 1868. F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives
D. W. C. SENTER,
Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted Sept. 5th, 1868.

NUMBER XXXVI.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION Directing Comptroller to charge interest on advances.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Comptroller of the Treasury of the State, be, and he is hereby instructed to charge interest on all advances of interest the State may make on all Railroad Bonds or other securities.

F. S. RICHARDS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
D. W. C. SENTER,
Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted Sept. 10th, 1868.

NUMBER XXXVII.

HOUSE RESOLUTION Tendering thanks to the Officers of the Extraordinary Session of the 85th General Assembly.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we tender our sincere thanks to the Speaker and Officers of this House, for the able and courteous manner in which they have discharged the onerous duties imposed upon them during this Extraordinary Session of the Legislature.

F. S. RICHARDS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted Sept. 14th, 1868.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, Nashville, Oct. 1, 1868.

I, ANDREW J. FLETCHER, Secretary of State of the State of Tennessee, do hereby certify, that I have carefully collated the foregoing documents with authentic copies, on file, in my office, and find them correctly printed.

ANDREW J. FLETCHER, Secretary of State.

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